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Dear John:

When Mr. McCone invited me to join the Agency four years ago, I agreed on the condition that I would be free to return to private industry after accomplishing certain goals that I set for myself. Yet, a few weeks ago when I was offered a lucrative and challenging opportunity in private industry, I experienced a great deal of soul searching before finally deciding to accept the position of Vice President for Engineering with Hughes Aircraft Company, California. True, the self-imposed goals now have been realized; but I believe my hesitation to leave this job mirrors the affection and sense of personal responsibility which I feel toward the Agency and the people in my organization.

A singularly rewarding aspect of this assignment has been the professional and personal relationships which have developed with people such as yourself. Perhaps the professional rapport can no longer exist as it did before, but I trust that our personal association may continue on just the same. When you next visit the West Coast I hope that you and your charming wife will stop off and see Nancy and me in our new environment.

Sincerely,

Albert D. Wheelon